WASHINGTON, D.C. Congressman Sanford Bishop, Jr., of Georgia's Second Congressional District released the following statement on the passing of fellow Georgian, Congressman Charlie Norwood of Georgia's Tenth Congressional District:

"I was saddened to hear of the passing of my friend, colleague, and fellow Georgian, Congressman Charlie Norwood. Though he hailed from the other side of the aisle, I admired him, as he was a fighter. He had tenacity, served well, and worked doggedly to do right by his district. I would like to send my heartfelt condolences to his family for losing a wonderful father and husband, to his staff, for losing an outstanding leader, and to his constituents, for losing a tireless advocate."